This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated December 1, 2004. Claims 1-20 remain pending in this application. Claims 1-5 and 18 are the independent claims. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication that Claim 1 is allowed. The Office Action's reasons for allowance appears to cite only a portion of the claim language from independent claim 1. The independent claim recites additional language. To that extent, the Applicant objects to the Statement.

In general, to the extent that language of the Statement differs from the language of an allowed claim, the Applicant objects to the Statement and rejects that such differences create or reflect any narrowing or limitation of the scope of the claim.

In response to the Office Action's objection to the specification appearing to have multiple definitions of "predefined code", Applicant respectfully believes the amendment to the specification renders the objection moot and requests its withdrawal.

On the merits, the Office Action rejected Claims 2-20 under 34 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Applicant respectfully N:\UserPublic\WX\Amendments\2005 Amendments\US018106.amd.doc 12

believes the amendments to Claims 1-5, 11, 18, and the specification renders the rejection moot and respectfully requests its withdrawal.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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